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2nd Cavalry Regiment

The 2nd Cavalry Regiment ("Dragoons") is a U.S. Army brigade combat team, headquartered on Rose Barracks in Vilseck, Germany.

Founded in 1836, the Regiment has the distinction of being the "Longest Active Serving Cavalry Regiment in the United States Army." Today, the Regiment is a modern, rapidly-deployable self-sustaining force that with a proven record of providing decisive land power and contingency response capabilities to Combatant Commanders.

The 2nd Cavalry Regiment consists of approximately 4,200 Dragoon Soldiers in six subordinate squadrons. The unit's 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Squadrons are mounted infantry units equipped with the highly mobile, net-centric Stryker vehicle. 4th Squadron provides the Brigade with reconnaissance, surveillance, and target acquisition capability, and the Fires Squadron provides the Brigade with organic artillery support. The Regiment Support Squadron provides combat services support, while the Regimental Engineer Squadron focuses on assured mobility, counter-mobility, general engineering, and survivability support.

The 2nd Cavalry Regiment recently returned from a deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, and now maintains its readiness by conducting full-spectrum training, with a focus on building and maintaining essential military relationships with allied and partner nations. As with all USAREUR assets, the 2nd Cavalry Regiment is always prepared to provide ready and flexible forces to the U.S. European Command Commander, and, as ordered, to other Combatant Commanders.